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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (currently amended) A pressurized container made of reinforced polyesters wherein said polyester is not biaxially oriented and is reinforced by reinforcing agents disposed within the polyester, wherein upon being filled with a liquid having a dissolved carbon dioxide content of about 0.4 0.6 wt % at an internal pressure of at least 1 bar, said pressurized container maintains a dissolved carbon dioxide content of at least 0.25 wt % after 0.5 year at a storage temperature of about 30 to 35 C.
- 2. (currently amended) The pressurized container of claim 1, wherein the polyesters are reinforced by reinforcing agents <u>are</u> selected from the group consisting of glass fibers, carbon fibers, metal fibers, aromatic polyamide fibers, and combinations thereof.
- 3. (previously presented) The pressurized container of claim 1, obtained by a conventional thermoplastic processing method selected from injection molding, thermoforming, hot-press molding, injection-compression molding, blow molding, pultrusion, extrusion, or combinations thereof.
- 4. (original) The pressurized container of claim 1, further comprising a plurality of re-enforcing strips attached to and reinforcing said container with each strip encircling the container in a hoop direction at least once.
- 5. (previously presented) The pressurized container of claim 2, wherein the reinforcing agents are glass fibers having a length of at least 0.5 cm.
- 6. (original) The pressurized container of claim 1, wherein the polyesters are reinforced by glass fibers in an amount of at least 20 wt. % based on the total weight of said reinforced polyesters.
- 7. (original) The pressurized container of claim 1, wherein the polyesters are reinforced by glass fibers in an amount of about 1 to about 50 volume % (vol. %).
- 8. (original) The pressurized container of claim 1, having a wall thickness of at least 0.2 mm.
- 9. (original) The pressurized container of claim 1, having a total liquid volume of at least 15 liters.

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- 10. (currently amended) A pressurized container made of reinforced polyesters wherein said polyester is not biaxially oriented and is reinforced by reinforcing agents disposed within the polyester, the container having a wall thickness of at least 0.2 mm and a carbon dioxide permeability property of less than 0.8 g/100 sq in. in 24 hours per mil.
- 11. (currently amended) A pressurized container comprising a wall portion and liquid having a dissolved carbon dioxide content, said wall portion surrounding the liquid, wherein the wall portion comprises a polyester that is not biaxially oriented and at least 20 weight percent of a reinforcing agent disposed within the polyester.
- 12.(previously presented) The container of claim 11, wherein the wall portion has a thickness of 2 to 4 mm.
- 13. (previously presented) The container of claim 11, wherein the wall portions comprises at least 30 wt % of the reinforcing agent.
- 14. (previously presented) The container of claim 11, wherein the wall portion comprises 30 to 50 wt % of the reinforcing agent.
- 15. (previously presented) The container of claim 11, wherein the reinforcing agents is selected from the group consisting of glass fibers, carbon fibers, metal fibers, aromatic polyamide fibers, and combinations thereof.
- 16. (previously presented) The container of claim 15, wherein the wall portion has a thickness of 2 to 4 mm.
- 17. (previously presented) The container of claim 15, wherein the wall portions comprises at least 30 wt % of the reinforcing agent.
- 18. (previously presented) The container of claim 11, wherein the liquid is beer.
- 19. (previously presented) The container of claim 18, wherein the wall portion has a permeability to carbon dioxide such that after a shelf-time of six months the carbon dioxide content of the liquid is at least 0.25 wt %.